

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1277

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Rhonda J. Pitts on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Rhonda J. Pitts is one such person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all her chosen endeavors; after serving the people of Blount County for twenty-four years, she will take her well-deserved retirement from the County Commission on June 9, 2018; and

WHEREAS, previously a school secretary at Rockford Elementary School, Rhonda Pitts served as the Blount County Executive Assistant for nine years, and she was named the Blount County Commission Secretary in 2002; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary tenure as Blount County Commission Secretary, Ms. Pitts has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, a certified public administrator, Rhonda Pitts has worked with five State senators, nine State representatives, six county executives and mayors, three county clerks, and eighty-eight county commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pitts's remarkable success as a public servant is directly attributable to her reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and her uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and awards, Rhonda Pitts was recognized for outstanding service by Governor Don Sundquist in 2002 and Governor Phil Bredesen in 2004,

and she received the 2007 Administrative Professional of the Year Award from the Maryville chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals; and

WHEREAS, Rhonda Pitts is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Rhonda J. Pitts on the occasion of her retirement, reflecting fondly on her exemplary tenure as Blount County Commission Secretary and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.